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Mr. Will Kempton, Director  
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Attention: Rachel Falsetti, Transportation Programming, MS 82

Dear Mr. Kempton:

SUBJECT: Sacramento Area Council of Governments (SACOG) MTIP Amendment 31 to SACOG's Interim 2005/07 MTIP– Metropolitan Transportation Improvement Program (MTIP) 2006/08 and 2006 Metropolitan Transportation Plan (MTP) for 2027

The Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) and Federal Transit Administration (FTA) have completed our review of MTIP Amendment No. 31 and SACOG's 2006 MTP for 2027. MTIP Amendment 31 was submitted to us by your letter dated April 14, 2006. SACOG adopted Amendment 31 with Resolution No. 7-2006 on March 16, 2006 approving these program modifications and reaffirming the conformity of the SACOG MTIP with the applicable State Implementation Plan (SIP) for air quality. We note that the conformity determination for this amendment was adopted by SACOG with Resolution No. 9-2006. The SACOG Board also adopted the 2006 MTP for 2027 with Resolution No. 10-2006 and its associated conformity determination with Resolution No. 8-2006.

This amendment adds or modifies projects from various funding programs in El Dorado, Placer, Sacramento, Sutter, Yolo and Yuba Counties. This amendment includes projects with funding from the Regional Surface Transportation Program, National Highway System program, Highway Bridge Replacement and Rehabilitation Program, Congestion Mitigation and Air Quality Program, Hazard Elimination Safety Program, Transportation Enhancement Activities program, Federal Demonstration Program, Federal Discretionary Programs, and various Federal Transit Administration (FTA) programs.

Subject to the exclusions on the project listings that are detailed below, we accept this amendment in accordance with the provisions of 23 CFR Part 450. We find that the amended MTIP was developed through a continuing, cooperative, and comprehensive transportation planning process carried out in accordance with the provisions of 23 U.S.C. section 134, and section 8 of the Federal Transit Act (49 U.S.C. app. §1607). Based on our review, we find that changes made to SACOG's MTIP by this amendment conform to the applicable State Implementation Plan (SIP).

In addition, this letter constitutes approval and inclusion of SACOG's MTIP Amendment 31 into California's 2004/05 – 2006/07 Federal Statewide Transportation Improvement Program (FSTIP) with the following projects excluded from this approval action, consistent with requirements listed in 23 CFR 450.316 (b)(1)(viii):

<b>AGENCY</b>	<b>MPO ID</b>	<b>PROJECT</b>
El Dorado County Dept of Transportation	ELD19173	El Dorado Hills Blvd. -US 50 Bicycle and Pedestrian Overcrossing
El Dorado County Dept of Transportation	ELD16010	Saratoga Way Extension
El Dorado County Dept of Transportation	ELD10090	White Rock Road Widening
City of Rocklin Division of Engineering	PLA19490	I-80 / Sierra College Boulevard Interchange
City of Roseville Dept of Public Works	PLA25120	Roseville Transit Rolling Stock
Caltrans District 3	CAL18764	U.S. 50 Auxiliary Lanes (Restriping)
Caltrans District 3	CAL18765	U.S. 50 Hazel Ave. Ramp Improvements
City of Folsom Dept of Public Works	SAC24144	Folsom Transit Bus Replacement
Sacramento Regional Transit District	REG17320	Downtown-Natomas LRT Extension
Sacramento Regional Transit District	REG15880	LRV Rehabilitation Program
Sacramento Regional Transit District	REG17782	SRTD CNG Bus Replacement
Caltrans District 3	CAL18763	U.S. 50 Truck Climbing Lane Extension
Yuba Sutter Transit	YST10190	Demand Response Vehicle Replacement
City of Winters Dept of Public Works	YOL19213	Putah Creek Bridge Replacement
Sacramento Regional Transit District	REG17200	West Sacramento Rail Transit
U.S. Department of Fish and Game	VAR19214	Mace Bird Reserve Access Road
El Dorado County	ELD19170	North Shingle Road Realignment at Ponderosa Road
City of Lincoln	PLA25188	Transit Maintenance Facility
City of Loomis	PLA25182	Multi-Modal Parking Facility - Phase 1
City of Elk Grove	SAC24145	Elk Grove 10 Bus Replacement
Sacramento Regional Transit	REG16680	RT Preventive Maintenance
Sacramento Regional Transit District	REG17795	Transit Enhancements
SACOG	REG17710	Capitol Corridor Peak Period Enhancements
Sacramento Regional Transit	REG17200	West Sacramento Rail Transit

Per discussion with Caltrans and SACOG staff, the federal agencies anticipate that the projects excluded from this approval action will be included in a subsequent request for another formal amendment to the SACOG MTIP 2006/08 and California's 2004/05 – 2006/07 FSTIP consistent with Procedures for FSTIP Modifications provided to Caltrans by our letter of January 13, 2006.

This finding has been coordinated with the regional office of the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) and Region IX office of the Federal Transit Administration (FTA) in accordance with the procedures outlined on the Memorandum of Understanding between the Federal Highway Administration, California Division, and the Federal Transit Administration, Region IX dated July 15, 2004, on Roles and Responsibilities for Multi-mode Amendments. Furthermore, this approval is made with the understanding that FTA funding on individual projects contained in the FSTIP are subject to the grantees meeting all necessary FTA administrative requirements. Approval of this amendment does not constitute an eligibility determination for the projects from this amendment that are funded from the CMAQ program.

Please contact Mr. Leigh Levine, FHWA at 916-498-5034 or Mr. Jerome Wiggins, FTA at 415-744-2819 if you have any questions regarding this amendment.

Sincerely,

*/s/ Leslie T. Rogers*

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